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Hold Sunstroke Industrial Accident.

The industrial accident board of

Tenn. held that sunstroke is an in-

dustrial accident. This decision was

reached in the case of Roy L. Stewart,

who lost his life while in the em-

ploy of the F. A. Jones Construction

company at Camp McArthur, near

Waco, last summer. As such employ-

ee he was covered by insurance, the

construction company being a subscriber

to the employers' liability act, and on

the date of the accident carried a pol-

icy with the Ocean Accident and Guar-

anty corporation.

The construction company contended

that it was not liable for death or

injury of any of its employees from

sunstroke. The order entered by the

industrial accident board provides that

Stewart's beneficiaries are to receive

the sum of \$12.17 per week for 300

weeks, dating from July 27, 1917. Of

this amount \$30 is to be paid for attor-

ney's fees.

Shipbuilding Workers to Be Listed.

To aid the shipping board in carry-

ing out its great merchant shipbuild-

ing program the chamber of commerce

of the United States has launched a

movement to enroll all men formerly

STATES LOOK TO
WORKERS' SAFETYAre Awakening to Necessity of Con-
serving the Available Labor
Supply.

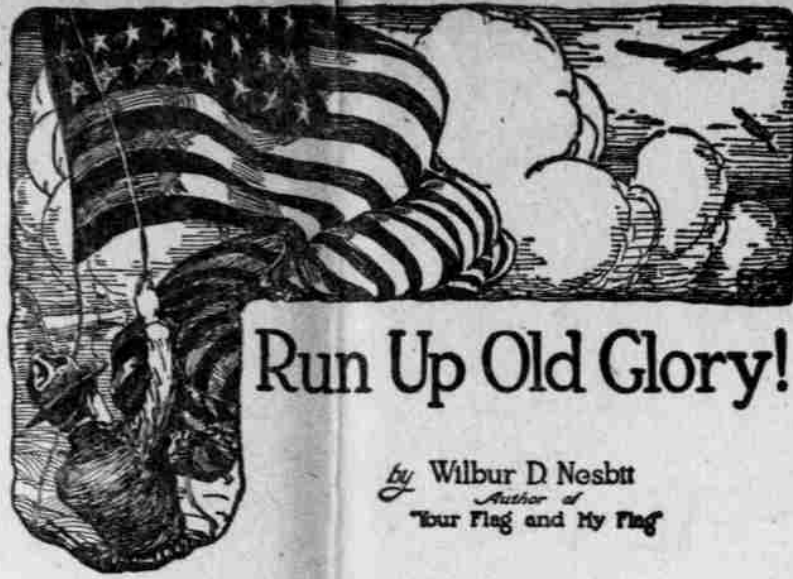
WAR HAS HELPED MOVEMENT

Workmen's Compensation Laws Also
Largely Responsible for Good Re-
sults Over Four-Fifths of the
United States.War's heavy demands upon our in-
dustries have given increased import-
ance to the protection of the industrial
army. "Safety first" efforts, resulting
from workmen's compensation laws,
are being redoubled as the necessity
of conserving the available labor sup-
ply is becoming more acute.Many thousands of men have been
drawn out of industrial occupations by
the mobilization of the military forces.
And the sudden and unprecedented ad-
vent of men and women, young boys
and girls, into unaccustomed occupa-
tions to meet the need of maximum
output of essential materials is stimu-
lating the extension and enforcement
of protective measures for labor, such
as compensation for injured workers
and prevention of industrial accidents.The country is fulfilling this require-
ment of preparedness. Substantial
gains in the field of workmen's com-
pensation are reported by the Ameri-
can Association for Labor Legislation
in its fourth annual edition, just is-
sued, of "Standards for Workmen's
Compensation Laws."During 1917 five additional states
enacted such laws. Numerous other
states made far-reaching improve-
ments in their existing statutes. On
October 6, also, congress passed and
President Wilson signed the bill which
the association was officially requested
to draft, restoring to longshoremen
and other workers in and about ves-
sels at the docks the benefits of state
workmen's compensation laws, of
which they had been deprived by the
United States Supreme court's divided
opinion in the Jensen case.

Aids as Effective War Measure.

"This measure," according to Sec-
retary John B. Andrews, "provides an
urgently needed adjustment which will
do much to assist the effective prose-
cution of the war work of the govern-
ment and opens the way for compre-
hensive application of state compen-
sation acts to industrial accidents in
marine employment."The new legislation of the last year
brings the total of workmen's com-
pensation states up to 27, including four-
fifths of the map of the United States.
Porto Rico, Alaska and Hawaii have
also adopted compensation laws. The
federal government now protects its
half million civilian employees with aWorkmen's Compensation Laws in Ef-
fect in States Shown in White.model measure, embodying substan-
tially all the provisions recommended
in the "standards."Missouri, North Dakota and Vir-
ginia are conspicuous among the 11
states that have not yet adopted work-
men's compensation. In Missouri the
efforts of employers and employees
have been thwarted for six years by a
hostile element in the state senate.
Favorable sentiment in these states,
however, has so far developed that
this legislation is expected soon.

Universal Health Insurance.

Along with the rapid spread of work-
men's compensation since April, 1911,
when the first general state compen-
sation law to go into effect and stay
in effect was enacted, similar progress
is reported toward universal health
insurance for protection in sickness
and childbirth, as industrial accidents
are now protected.Announcement is made in the as-
sociation's new bulletin on compen-
sation standards of the addition to its
committee on social insurance of for-
mer Congressman David J. Lewis, now a
member of the federal tariff commis-
sion, and Francis King Carey, manu-
facturer and attorney of Baltimore.
This committee has already prepared
legislation for workmen's health in-
surance to bring about a "health first"
movement supplementary to the "safety
first" campaign that has accompan-
ied workmen's compensation.In the eight states where legislative
commissions are now at work studying
this measure, which is characterized
by United States Surgeon General Rup-
ert Blue as "the next great step in
social legislation," there is manifested
among employers, physicians and labor
greater insistence upon such protec-
tive measures for working men and
women as an effective means of keep-
ing labor power at the highest point
of efficiency and of sustaining the na-
tion's industrial strength in war time.The aggregate wages paid in manu-
facturing in New York state factories
in September, 1917, showed an increase
of 5 per cent over August.Send Us Your Job Printing.
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Author of
"Our Flag and My Flag"

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In red and white against the sky

And tell the story of the days

When hearts were stout and hopes were high

Forget the daily fights of greed,

Forget the struggles, the dismay

Of facing cruelty and need—

Run up Old Glory for the day.

Run up Old Glory!

Think of all

The old flag means to you and me,

Of how the blast of freedom's call

Shook out its folds from sea to sea;

Red with the blood that it has cost,

White with the souls of them that died—

To-day by laughing breezes tossed

It whispers of a nation's pride.

Run up Old Glory!

Fling it forth

And feel anew the country-call

That thrills East, West and South and North

And has its word for one and all

Run up Old Glory—fling it far

Across the blue of heaven's dome,

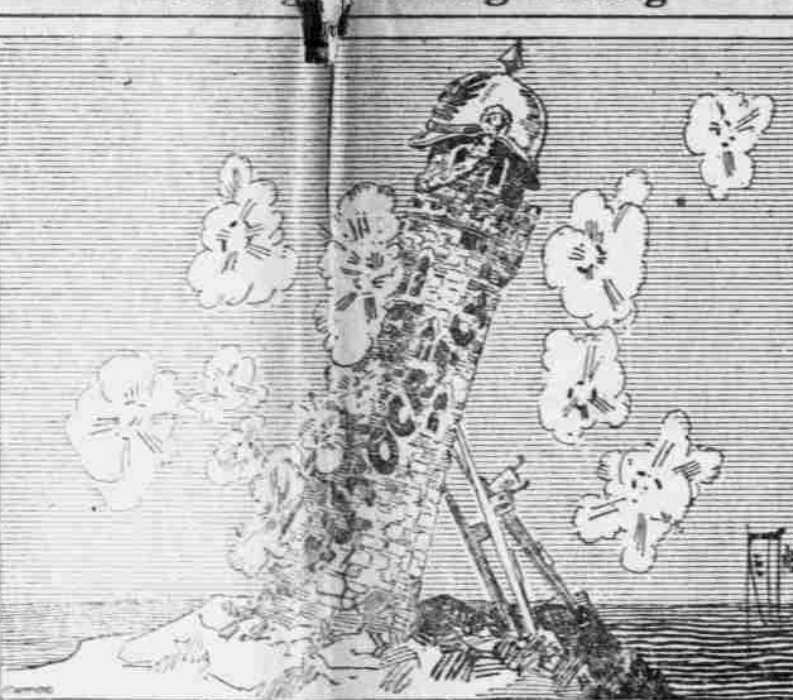
And feel that every stripe and star

Is warder of your hearth and home.



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